



Sheep, Lambs, & Goats

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Kansas Sheep and Lamb Inventory Unchanged

KANSAS: All sheep and lamb inventory in Kansas on January 1, 2010 totaled 80,000 head, unchanged from last year. **Breeding** sheep inventory, at 50,000 head, was down 12 percent from January 1, 2009 inventory. The inventory of ewes one year and older, at 41,000 head, was down 13 percent from last year. The inventory of rams one year old and older, at 2,000 head, was down 1,000 head from the previous year. Replacement lambs totaled 7,000 head, unchanged from last year. The 2009 **lamb crop** was 60,000 head, up 3 percent from 2008. The 2009 lambing rate was 128 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on hand January 1, 2009, compared with a lambing rate of 109 in 2008. **Market** sheep and lambs on January 1, 2010 totaled 30,000 head, up 7,000 head from a year ago. Of these, 14,000 weighed less than 65 pounds, 3,000 weighed 65-84 pounds, 3,000 weighed 85-105 pounds, 6,000 weighed over 105 pounds, and 4,000 were market sheep.

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on January 1, 2010, totaled 5.63 million head, down 2 percent from 2009. **Breeding sheep inventory** decreased to 4.19 million head on January 1, 2010, down 1 percent from 4.25 million head on January 1, 2009. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.34 million head, were 2 percent below last year. **Market sheep and lambs** on January 1, 2010, totaled 1.44 million head, down 4 percent from January 1, 2009. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total. Twenty-five percent were lambs under 65 pounds, 12 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 19 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 38 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total. **The 2009 lamb crop** of 3.69 million head, was down 1 percent from 2008. The 2009 lambing rate was 108 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2009, up 3 percent from 2008.

Sheep and Lambs on Farms, by Classes, January 1

Class	Kansas				United States			
	2008	2009	2010	'10 % Of '09	2008	2009	2010	'10 % Of '09
	--- 1,000 Head ---			Percent	--- 1,000 Head ---			Percent
All Sheep & Lambs	90.0	80.0	80.0	100	5,950.0	5,747.0	5,630.0	98
Market	23.0	23.0	30.0	130	1,518.5	1,500.0	1,440.0	96
Breeding Sheep & Lambs								
Replacement Lambs under 1 Year	11.0	7.0	7.0	100	697.0	646.5	655.0	101
Ewes 1 Yr. & Older	53.0	47.0	41.0	87	3,540.0	3,405.0	3,340.0	98
Rams 1 Yr. & Older	3.0	3.0	2.0	67	194.5	195.5	195.0	100
Market Lambs								
Under 65 Lbs.	10.0	12.0	14.0	117	350.7	349.9	360.0	103
65-84 Lbs.	3.0	1.0	3.0	300	197.5	170.4	172.0	101
85-105 Lbs.	4.0	3.0	3.0	100	355.9	314.0	275.0	88
105 Lbs. +	3.0	3.0	6.0	200	531.9	584.7	548.0	94
Total	20.0	19.0	26.0	137	1,436.0	1,419.0	1,355.0	95
Market Sheep	3.0	4.0	4.0	100	82.5	81.0	85.0	105

Kansas and United States, Lamb Crop

Year	Kansas			United States		
	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr., Jan. 1	Lambs Saved per 100 Ewes 1 Yr., Jan. 1	Lamb Crop	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr., Jan. 1	Lambs Saved per 100 Ewes 1 Yr., Jan. 1	Lamb Crop
	--- 1,000 ---	Number	--- 1,000 ---	Number	--- 1,000 ---	Number
2006	52.0	127	66.0	3,630.0	109	3,950.0
2007	54.0	119	64.0	3,620.0	108	3,895.0
2008	53.0	109	58.0	3,540.0	105	3,710.0
2009	47.0	128	60.0	3,405.0	108	3,690.0



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Wool Production

Kansas shorn wool production during 2009 was 370,000 pounds, down 4 percent from a year earlier. **Sheep shorn**, at 57,000 head, increased 2 percent from 2008. Average fleece weight was 6.5 pounds per fleece, down 0.4 pounds from 2008. The average **price paid** for wool sold in 2009 was 37 cents per pound, down 28 cents from 2008. Total value of shorn wool was \$137,000, down 45 percent from 2008.

U.S. Shorn wool production during 2009 was 30.9 million pounds, down 6 percent from 2008. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 4.20 million head, down 5 percent from 2008. The average price paid for wool sold in 2009 was \$0.79 per pound for a total value of 24.45 million dollars, down 25 percent from 32.5 million dollars in 2008.

Wool Production and Value

Year	Sheep Shorn ¹	Weight per Fleece	Shorn Wool Product Production	Price per Pound	Value
	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dol.
Kansas					
2008	56.0	6.9	384	0.65	250
2009	57.0	6.5	370	0.37	137
United States					
2008	4,434.0	7.4	32,963	0.99	32,486
2009	4,197.0	7.4	30,862	0.79	24,387

¹ Includes shearing at commercial feedyards.

Kansas Goat and Kid Inventory Down

KANSAS: As of January 1, 2010, the total number of milk goats and kids was down 15 percent to 3,800 head, while all meat goats and kids totaled 42,000 head, down 16 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: **All goat inventory** in the United States on January 1, 2010, totaled 3.04 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. **Breeding goat inventory** totaled 2.53 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. Does one year old and older, at 1.87 million head, were 1 percent below last year's number. **Market goats and kids** totaled 518,000 head, down 2 percent from a year

ago. **Kid crop** for 2009 totaled 1.94 million head for all goats, down 1 percent from 2008. **Meat and all other goats** totaled 2.54 million head on January 1, 2010, down slightly from 2009. **Milk goat** inventory increased to 355,000 head, 6 percent above January 1, 2009, while **Angora goats** were down 19 percent, totaling 150,000 head. **Mohair production** in the United States during 2009 was 1.01 million pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 160,500 head. Average weight per clip was 6.3 pounds. Mohair price was \$2.66 per pound with a value of 2.69 million dollars.

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